



THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF COLUMBIA (Downtown Optimist)

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In Person/ Zoom Meeting

Monday, October 7, 2024

Meeting began at 12:00 noon at the Club house

Members in attendance: President: Mary Dewey, Bob Bellinghausen, Pat Brown, Adam Crumbliss, Larry Fick, Akbar Hussein, Rick McKernaa, James Murphy, Ed Musterman, Carl Scott, Jerry Sullivan, Deb Swanegan, Steve Winter, and Barb West. By zoom Scott Stager, and Nadia Ryakmyatulliov

Special Guests: Beverly Oster (Ken's wife), and Jackie Nichols from the Columbia Foster and Adoption Project.

Volunteer Hours: Larry Fick 150 hours for the food bank for the year

Welcome Back: Bob Bellinghausen

Invocation: Pat Brown

Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Bellinghausen

Birthdays/Anniversaries: N/A

All hands-on deck to help Jim Murphy on Saturday, October 12th at 8:30 am to move the tree stands where they go on the lot.

Pay the pig (Money goes to the OIF Children Cancer: Rick McKernan paid \$.50 for Kansas University football lost and Mizzou Football lost, Carl Scott paid \$1.00 for Rick McKernan cleaning in the back classroom and light, KU Football team lost, Jim Murphy paid \$1.00 for cancer awareness this Month, and Adam Crumbliss paid \$1.00 for Mizzou Football Lost

Kelly Schilling has club t-shirt for sale for \$13 for member and free for new members

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dues, it seemed appropriate to take advantage of this incentive program. Please start looking for a letter from Jack Beard about how much is your club dues are for this year.

C.O. Scheffer wanted us to know that the Christmas tree are order and we will be short 90 scotch pine trees this year. Everything will be starting to come in soon be ready to help with unloading the trees and selling of the trees in November which will be the 2nd weekend.

All hands-on deck when they come in. We also need to make sure we sign up for cashiers this year only club members can do this job. We can hire workers outside.

Jerry Sullivan gave us the second reading for Ed Musterman and Steve Klein to keep their spots for the board as members.

Mary Dewey and Akbar Hussein went to the Ashland Optimist 60th Anniversary dinner on Sunday and had a great time seeing and talking to the Ashland Optimist members.

Steve Winter talked about the Koeze Nuts books, Calendar when orders are due, President letter and your list from last year are ready to be picked on the table today. Jake Jolley added that the restaurant gift cards are from same place as last year. They are \$25.00 each for D'Rowes, Addison/Sophia, Murry and House of Chow. The restaurant will get \$17.50 from each card and the club with get \$7.50 from each card. The first order is due Monday 28, 2024.

Please let me know that if you would like to attend the 1st qtr. conference that will take place on Friday, November 8th and Saturday, November 9th in Jackson, MO. We are also looking for military pictures of club members. If you are military picture send it to me so I can send them in for you. See attached information to this email. Please start collecting plastic bags for the homeless mat project we will be doing that night. Start bring in items for the homeless shelter of Jackson, MO see list.

Guest Speaker: Member Spot Light Mary Dewey see attached power point

Club winner: Greg Schneider

Optimist Creed was recited and meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm

Mary Dewey: President



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6	7 Guest Speaker Lucy Nichols Columbia Foster & Adoption Project Clubhouse at 12:00	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Guest Speaker Boone CO. Dwayne Carey & Boon Co. Prosecuting Roger Johnson on Proposition 6 Clubhouse at 12:00	15 Deb Swanegan (2019) and Joe Weber (2020) joined the club	16	17	18	19
20	21 Guest Speaker Adam Saunders Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture Clubhouse at 12:00	22	23	24	25	26
27 Brent Sappington Birthday	28 Guest Speaker Gay Litteken First Chance for Children Clubhouse at 12:00 1 st Order due	29	30	31		

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Monday, October 14th , 2024

Meeting began at 12:00 noon at the Club house

Members in attendance: President: Mary Dewey, Daniel Abraham, Bob Bellinghausen, Adam Crumbliss, Trevor Harris, Mike Hachett, Akbar Hussein, Jake Jolley, Pat Kelly, Charlie Langender, Rick McKernaa, Susie McKernan, Ed Musterman, Ken Oster, Sean Reberry, Kelly Schilling, Carl Scott, Deb Swanegan, and Barb West. By zoom Max Miller

Special Guests: Beverly Oster (Ken's wife), Bonnie Langender (Charlie's wife), Mary Moncruf, Darren Wheeler (Guest Speaker), Vince (friend of Pat Kelly) and Dwayne Carey (Guest Speaker).

Volunteer Hours: Jim Murphy, C.O. Scheffer, Larry Fick, Rick McKernan, Adam Bakos, Steve and Rebecca Winter 2.5 hours each

Welcome Back: Max Miller by Zoom

Invocation: Deb Swanegan

Pledge of Allegiance: Charlie Langender

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Trevor let us know that his son celebrated their 1st wedding anniversary over the weekend, Deb Swanegan (2019) and Joe Weber (2020) joined the club

Pay the pig (Money goes to the OIF Children Cancer: Rick McKernan paid \$.1.00 for Kansas University football lost, the trash next to the gate and Mizzou Football win over UMass, Trevor Harris paid a \$1.00 for his son's wedding anniversary, Jim Murphy paid \$1.00 for cancer awareness this Month, and Adam Crumbliss paid \$1.00 for KU Football Lost and Carl Scott paid a \$1.00 for the 6 Columbia High School Students who made it to State Golf.

Rick McKernan handed Mary Dewey the Club President Hand book which has letter from all the past Presidents on how to help and run the club. See pictures



Club Board Meeting at the Club house on Thursday, October 17th at 6:30 pm

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Mary Dewey gave us the third reading for Ed Musterman and Steve Klein to keep their spots for the board as members. Charlie Langender made the motion to keep Ed Musterman and Steve Klein on the board for other term. Mike Hatchett and Deb Swanegan 2nd the motion. 18 yay and 0 nay. It was approved for the both of them for another term on the board.

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Volunteer Hours: Larry Fick 3 hours from the Central Missouri and Boone County Food Bank

Welcome Back: Jim Murphy, Nadia Ryakmyatulliov and Kelly Schilling

Invocation: Pat Brown

Pledge of Allegiance: Larry Fick

Birthdays/Anniversaries:

Pay the pig (Money goes to the OIF Children Cancer: Adam Crumblis paid \$1.00 for Camp out with his daughter and Peeing in the tent, Carl Scott paid \$1.00 for KU basketball rank top big 12 and Arkansas basketball beat KU basketball, Rick McKernan paid \$.50 for Mizzou and Kansas Tank team and the lose of KU but almost win.

Board Meeting on Thursday, November 21 at the Club House at 6:00 pm

We have 3 Funding Request: Ronald McDonald House by Ashlee Smith for \$620.00, Coyote Hill by Joe Knight \$4000, and CYBA by Jim Chapdelaine for \$350 or \$5000.

C.O. Scheffer: Everything will be starting to come in soon be ready to help with unloading the trees and selling of the trees in November which will be the on Saturday, November 16 which will the Frasers. We will the Columbia College Track team this year helping unload that day. We will be feeding the biscuits and gravy with eggs for breakfast and hamburgers, and chips for lunch. On Tuesday the other trees will be coming in with Job Point helping unloading them and drilling.

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Nadia Ryakmyatulliov talked about the High School Scholarship is at all 4 high schools and will be due February 19th. It can be found on google on our website.

Our Holiday party will on Wednesday, December 18th at 6:00 pm at the Club House. The cost will be \$18.00 each person. D'Rowes will be catering the dinner. We will be starting collecting the money on November 11. We will need to know the head count by December 16th. Larry Fick will be collecting the money for the Holiday Dinner.

Guest Speaker: Club winner: Jim Murphy

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November 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Meeting about the tree lot at 9:30 am

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3 Daylight Saving Time Ends	4 Guest Speaker Brandy Sanchez Bed for kids, Sleep in Heavenly Peace Clubhouse at 12:00	5 Election Day Paul Handshaw and Jim Murphy Birthday	6	7 Koeze Nut order will be coming in help unloading	8 East Missouti Optimist Distict Conference in Jackson, Missouri Help Bag Koeze Nut Orders	9 East Missouti Optimist Distict Conference in Jackson, Missouri
10	11 Veterans Day Guest Speaker Dan Oesch, MODOT, Statewide Improve I-70 Shakespeare's South at 12:00 2 nd order is due for Koeze nuts	12	13	14	15	16 First Load of Fraser Christmas Tree come in All hands on Deck
17	18 Guest Speaker Jill Schulde, Chief of Police, Flock Cameras Boone Electric at 12:00	19 2 nd load of Christams Tree come in All Hands on Deck Pat Kelly Birthday	20	21 Koeze Nut order will be coming in help unloading	22 Help Bag Koeze Nut Orders	23
24	25 Guest Speaker D. Brandon Russell and Stacy Elsbury Shakespeare's South at 12:00	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	29 Open Day of the Chchristmas Tree Lot All Hands on Deck	30